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SUBJECT: SYRIAN ARAB AIRLINES AIRFARE

1. CAB HAS RECEIVED COPY OF SYRIAN GOVERNMENT ORDER
6615/31 SIGNED BY MINISTER OF TRANSPORT ON JULY 6, 1977.
TRANSLATION SUPPLIED TO CAB BY IATA APPEARS TO INSTRUCT
SYRIAN ARAB AIRLINES TO OFFER A DISCOUNT FARE OF
419 DOLLARS ONE-WAY COMPARED WITH AT LEAST 597 DOLLARS
FOR A NORMAL ECONOMY TICKET BETWEEN DAMASCUS AND
NEW YORK TO QUOTE ARAB IMMIGRANTS UNQUOTE RESIDING IN
THE U.S. AND TO QUOTE ARAB CITIZENS. UNQUOTE

2. IF THIS IS INDEED THE INTENT OF SYRIAN ARAB AIRLINES,
THE CAB WOULD HOPE TO HEAD OFF THE FILING OF THIS FARE,
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WHICH IS CLEARLY CONTRARY TO US LAW AND WOULD SURELY BE
SUSPENDED. IT FALLS INTO THE CATEGORY OF QUOTE UNJUSTLY
DISCRIMINATORY UNQUOTE SINCE IT FAVORS ONE OR TWO CLASSES
OF TRAVELERS OVER ALL OTHERS. IF SYRIANS WANT LOW FARES,
THEY SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO ALL.

3. THERE IS SOME QUESTION HERE IF IATA INTERPRETATION OF

SYRIAN ORDER IS CORRECT. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE
CORRECT INTERPRETATION OF SYRIAN ORDER. IF IATA
INTERPRETATION IS CORRECT, REQUEST EMBASSY DISCREETLY

INFORM SYRIAN ARAB AIRLINES THAT CAB WOULD SURELY
SUSPEND FILING OF SUCH A FARE. SUGGEST TO SYRIANS THAT
SUCH AN OCCURRENCE NOT THE MOST AUSPICIOUS MANNER
IN WHICH TO COMMENCE OPERATIONS TO U.S. CHRISTOPHER

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